CHAPTER 2 『 Ramen, BLOOD, and Bread 』

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STARTING TODAY, YOU'RE MAKO -CHAN
IT'S DECIDED
YOU LOOK LIKE A DEMON, SO YOU'RE MAKO
MAKO! RIGHT, RIGHT ...

I DON'T RECALL THIS... MEH, IT'LL WORK
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SKULL BOOK..?
PAPER, PAPER ...
AND MY NAME IS..

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THIS IS HOW IT'S WRITTEN, THIS IS HOW YOU READ IT!
MY NAME'S "SHIKOTA KON" CALL ME KON-CHAN!
AAAAAH! THAT'S ...!!
SHIKOTA KON
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I THOUGHT I HEARD SOMEONE SAY 'AAAAH' ABOVE ME..
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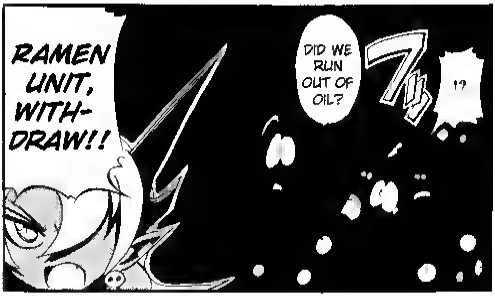
RAMEN UNIT, WITH-DRAW!!
DID WE RUN OUT OF OIL?
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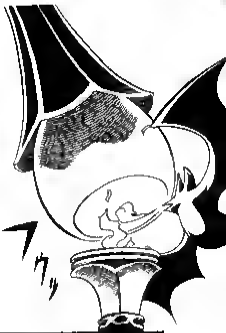

TH-, THAT'S NOT FROM US!
TODAY'S RAMEN WAS KIND OF DIFFER-ENT
HEY, WAIT, WHERE ARE WE GOING!?

GANKO-CHAN HOW YA BEEN
HEY
KO-, KON-CHAN, BE CAREFUL OF HER

WAIT, WAIT, WAIT, LEMME GO!
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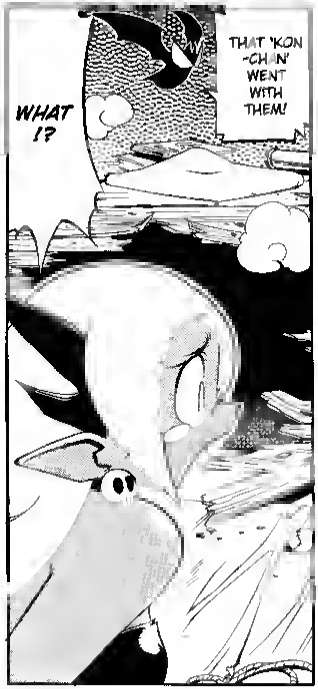
WHAT!?
THAT 'KON-CHAN' WENT WITH THEM!

THE NUISANCES SHOULD GET OUT
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MAYBE 'CAUSE I ATE THAT WEIRD RAMEN
WELL, I'LL JUST LEAVE IT TO MY LEGS
AND I HAVEN'T HAD MY WALK YET TONIGHT
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WHAT'S GOING ON
MY STOMACH IS PULLING ME THIS WAY
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SHOULD YOU BE DOING THAT RIGHT NOW?
I LOVE THIS JACKET!!
OH, THANK GOD IT'S SAFE!

I WAS SO WORRIED SOMETHING MIGHT HAPPEN TO THIS
BUT THIS WAS IN THE CHEST ALONG WITH THE BOOK
IT FELL INTO THE ROOM ALONG WITH THAT
LEAVE THIS AND THAT ALONE
WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS THAT MAN AND THAT!
WE'LL JUST WAIT FOR HIM
HE LIVES HERE, AFTER ALL
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I'VE GOTTA GO
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HEY, GO WHERE!?
UHHH...
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IT HURTS?
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LEAVE HIM ALONE, GONZALES
I ALWAYS TELL YOU NOT TO EAT THINGS ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD!!
WOAH, YOU REEK OF WET DOG
I'LL CALL YOU WET DOG HAIR-KUN
GON ...
UGA ...?
MO-
MONSTER!!

HUH
YOU'RE
OH NO, YOU'RE ALL DIRTY
FROM NOW UNTIL YOU DIE, YOU'RE MY LEADER
WE'VE GOT TO KEEP YOU CLEAN ♡
YOU'RE MAKO -CHAN
IT'S SO COOL THAT YOU CAN FLY!

THIS MUST BE WHAT CALLED HER OUT HERE
TH-, THIS BLOOD
AND THERE'S THE BOOK
THERE IS THE MAN
WHAT ABOUT A PROMISE? DEMON?
THAT MAN, SHIKOTA KON
HAS TAKEN A 'BLOOD OATH OF ASPIRATIONS' THROUGH THIS BOOK
AND HAS ENTERED A DEMONIC CONTRACT!
OH! HIS NAME IS ON THREE SEPARATE PAGES!
OH SORRY, THE MARKER BLED THROUGH...
ALL OF THE SIGNATURES ARE ACCEPTABLE
EACH 'DESIRE' WILL BE GRANTED
PAGE 311 STATES 'COMPLETE OBEDIENCE BY THE YOUNG DEMON'
HEY HEY HEY
LET'S KEEP IT ABOVE THE EQUATOR
UNDER THIS CLAUSE, THE DEMON WILL BECOME HIS FOLLOWER FOR LIFE

NEXT IS 312, THE SERVICE PAGE
THIS CLAUSE STATES 'THE DEMON WILL FALL IN LOVE', SO THAT'S THAT ONE
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AND THE LAST ONE IS...
AH!' THE BAT JUST TALKED!?
THIS ONE DOESN'T REALLY MATTER, SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
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BUT I'M WORRIED ABOUT IT!!
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OW OW OW OW OW!!
OH, I KNOW THAT DAIKON*-SHAPED LEG FROM SOMEWHERE
I'VE TRAINED MY DAIKON LEGS! I'M PROUD OF THEM!!
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IT HURTS. IT HURTS
*DAIKON = JAPANESE RADISH

GANKO-CHAN!
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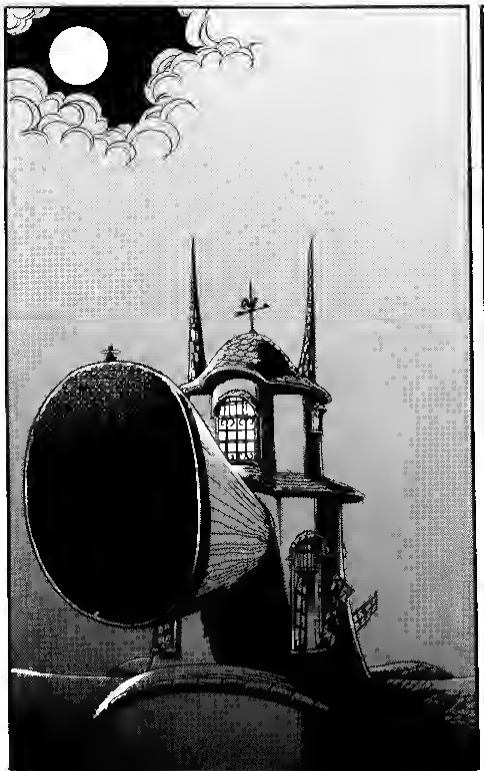
I THOUGHT THE NOODLES TOOK YOU TO THE DEMON WORLD
THEY DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO GET THERE
SO WE WANDERED THROUGH TOWN ALL THIS TIME!!
YES, IT WOULD TAKE A RAMEN DELIVERY GIRL TO UNDERSTAND THE RAMEN MINDSET SO WELL
BUT YOU'RE TOO LATE, WE'VE ALREADY BEEN BOUND TOGETHER
THERE'S HO OOM HEFT HOR YUU
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS RIDICULOUS OATH!? WHAT'S HIS PART OF IT!?

KYAH
HIS PAY-MENT IS HIS 'SOUL'
YES, THE 'BLOOD OATH' WAS MADE OFFICIAL
THUS I MUST UPHOLD IT UNTIL HIS DEATH
BUT DON'T WORRY, I WON'T BE AROUND FOR LONG
BODIES LACKING SOULS DIE QUICKLY ♡
WHAT!?

LIES
I'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT
YOU CAN'T FLY, EITHER!
AND YOU DON'T HAVE HORNS OR WINGS!
THIS IS ALL JUST A SICK JOKE...
MOVE IT, MOVE IT!

KON-CHAN!
KYAA!



AND THERE'S THE REST OF THE NOODLE TROOPS
I WONDER IF GANKO -CHAN'S ALL RIGHT
SHE LL BE FINE SHE TRAINED
BYE BYE

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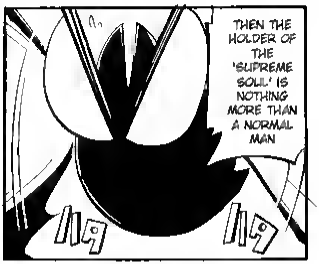
I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE HIS SOUL EXCEEDS AVERAGE !!!
HIS LIFE FORCE IS GONE
HE COLLAPSED RIGHT WHEN HE GOT HERE


THEN THE HOLDER OF THE 'SUPREME SOUL' IS NOTHING MORE THAN A NORMAL MAN
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WHAT!?
I THOUGHT I WAS DEAD
HAH
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GRUMBLE
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DID GRANDMA LEAVE ANYTHING EDIBLE?
OH MAN, I'VE LOST SO MUCH BLOOD I CAN BARELY MOVE
HAUNTING KITCHEN
I'VE GOT SOME LEFT-OVERS ♡
SOUNDS GOOD
NOW EAT UP!

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OK, FORGET COOKING
DON'T DEMONS HAVE LIKE MAGIC AND STUFF?
WHAT CAN YOU DO, MAKO-CHAN?
'LIE'
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HAA?
'BLUFF', 'EXTORT', 'INFLUENCE', 'SEDUCE', 'INSULT', 'SLANDER'
I CAN SHRINK TO 1/8 SIZE AND WHISPER INTO YOUR EAR
I CAN LIGHT COLD EMBERS
AND MAKE SOUL CON-TRACTS
IS SOME-THING THAT I CAN'T SEEM TO DO HERE
I CAN FLY THROUGH THE AIR, AND WALKING THROUGH WALLS...
AND FINALLY, MY BEAUTIFUL B-O-D-Y
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OH, PAGE 78'S GREAT, "NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU EAT, YOUR LEGS WILL NEVER GET FAT"
LIKE PAGE 27 "EVERYTHING YOU TOUCH TURNS TO MEAT"
BUT YOU NEED COOKING SKILLS...
BUT THE BEST PART OF THE DEMONIC ARTS IS THIS
LYING, MAKING FIRES AND FLIRTING'S NICE AND ALL
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THINK OF IT LIKE USING A CREDIT CARD OR SOMETHING. AS LONG AS YOU DON'T OVER DRAW IT... YOU'RE STILL ALIVE
FOR EVERY 'REQUEST' YOU PAY A LITTLE MORE OF YOUR SOUL
BUT YOU'RE STILL ALIVE
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BUT IF YOU USE THAT YOU DIE

YOU WRITE YOUR OWN 'REQUEST' HERE! ANYTHING AT ALL THAT YOU WANT AND IT'LL INSTANTLY BE YOURS
THIS BOOK HAS SOO 'WISHES' AND 'CURSES'
BUT IF YOU DON'T WANT ANY OF THEM, THEN USE THIS! A BLANK FREE PAGE
JUST TAKE THIS THORN PEN, COLLECT SOME OF YOUR BLOOD, AND WRITE DOWN YOUR DREAMS!!
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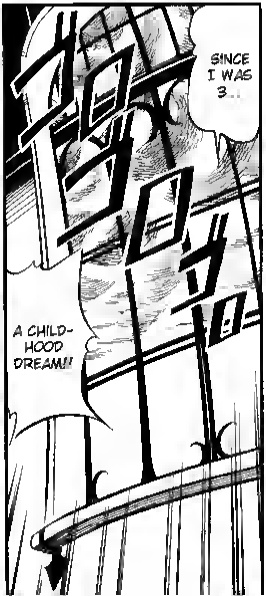
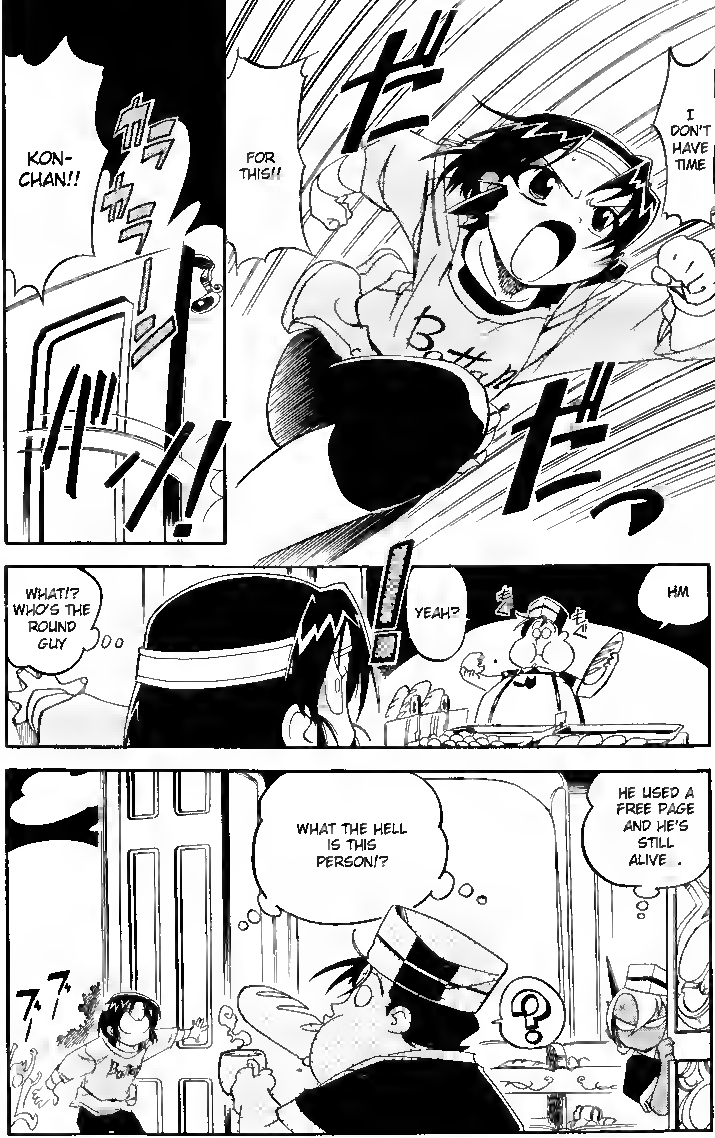
YEAH, I WANNA LIVE AT A BAKERY AND EAT BREAD
IS YOUR WISH?
AND THIS —?
Bakery Shikota Kon

BUT ANYONE WHO USES THIS PAGE WILL INSTANTLY DIE
I'LL BE GOING HOME TO THE DEMON WORLD WITH KON-CHAN'S SOUL ANY SECOND NOW


SINCE I WAS 3...
A CHILD-HOOD DREAM!!

I WAS SO CLOSE TO UNDER-STANDING THEM
BUT WHEN THE SUN CAME UP, THE RAMEN DRIED UP
THOSE HEART-LESS DEMONS
WE'LL KICK THEM OUT OF HAUNTING AND SAVE KON-CHAN!

WHAT
Bakery
本日OPEN!!
HEY
DON'T CUT IN LINE
AH
SORRY
BODIES LACKING SOULS DIE QUICKLY...


I DON'T HAVE TIME
FOR THIS!!
KON-CHAN!!
HM
YEAH?
WHAT!? WHO'S THE ROUND GUY
HE USED A FREE PAGE AND HE'S STILL ALIVE .
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS PERSON!?

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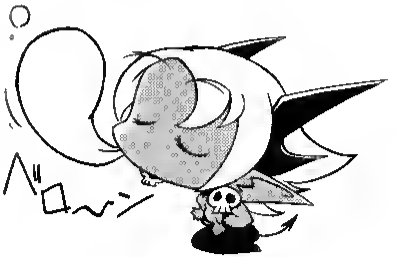

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